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December 31, 1971

TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

John B. Young

Albert W. Leighton

Alan L. Knight

TOWN CLERK and TREASURER

Phyllis F. Lynbourg

TAX COLLECTOR

James F. Stiles

MODERATOR

Leonard C. Hardwick

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST

Willis G. Bennett

Freda J. Harding

Esther R. Henderson

Myrtle Hammer

HEALTH OFFICER

Albert W. Leighton

AUDITORS

Roger S. Leighton

Donald R. Poppema

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Albert H. Brown

Oscar B. Pratt

Clyde S. Gray

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Hattie M. Foss

Martha Z. Bennett

Ellen E. Stiles

LIBRARIAN

Eleanor Smith

FIRE WARDEN

Sumner B. Hayes

DEPUTIES

Alberton H. Berry

George W. Thorne

John D. MacDougall

Radford Messenger

ROAD AGENT
Radford Messenger
CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

David S. Dupee
BUILDING INSPECTORS

Selectmen

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Edgar E. Burrows, Chief

Harold F. Irving

Carl S. Brown

PLANNING BOARD

Raymond Grant

Fred Lundberg

David Dupee

James Foss

John Young

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Lester Huckins

John Horan

Walton Stiles

Maurice Caswell

Westley Martin

TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Polls open 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford Elementary School in said Strafford on Tuesday, the seventh day of March next, at ten of the clock, in the forenoon, to act upon the following subject:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Please note: All Articles except #1 will be taken up at 8:00 P.M., Wednesday, March 8, 1972.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.

3. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Public Welfare including Old Age Assistance.

4. To see if the Town will accept Town Road Aid and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,074.20 to which the State will contribute \$7,161.31.

5. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Highways and Bridges.

6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for repair of the bridge on the Windgate Road.

7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for maintaining Bow Lake Beach at the Dam.

8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for maintenance of the Bow Lake Fire Department.

9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the White Pine Blister Rust Control Program.

10. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for observance of Memorial Day.

11. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Lakes Region Association.

12. To hear a Report from the Strafford Library Association on use of funds received and expended.

13. To authorize the Library Trustees to enter into and agreement with the Library Association to furnish facilities and services during the year 1972.

14. To appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to be expended by the Library Trustees for these purposes.

15. That the Library Trustees report back to the next Town Meeting with recommendations.

16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,800.00 for control and operation of the Town Dump.

17. To hear the report of the Committee appointed to study the problem of Waste Disposal in Town and their recommendations.

18. To hear the report and see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$965.00 in the support of the Rural District Health Council.

19. To take the sense of the qualified voters whether the Amendments of the Constitution proposed by the 1971 session of the General Court shall be approved.

20. To see if the Town will prohibit the erection and/or maintenance of fences, No-Trespassing signs and other Barricades on State/Town property along the Lake side of Water Street between the Dam and the Pexhote property. (This Article by Petition)

21. To see what sum of money the Town wishes to raise towards the expense of the Tax map required by the State Law in 1980.

22. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to spend a portion of the Special Highway and Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for purchase of Fire Fighting Equipment.

23. To hear the report of and see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 as a donation to the Center Barnstead Fire Department for providing Ambulance Service to the Town of Strafford.

24. To hear the report of the Town Conservation Commission and to see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Town Conservation Fund.

25. To see if the Town will accept for maintenance and improvement by the Town of Strafford the extension of Water Street from the top of the hill at Pine Acres, at the end of the tarred portion, along the lake shore, to its termination. (This Article by petition)

26. To see if the Town will grant 2% discount on taxes paid within thirty-five days of mailing of tax bills.

27. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

28. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

JOHN B. YOUNG
ALBERT W. LEIGHTON
ALAN L. KNIGHT

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

JOHN B. YOUNG
ALBERT W. LEIGHTON
ALAN L. KNIGHT

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD, N. H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue
for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1972 to December 31, 1972
Compared with
Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures
of the Previous Year January 1, 1971 to December 31, 1971

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1971	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1971	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1972
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,074.55	\$ 2,000.00
Grant Award Radio	.....	796.00	.....
Savings Bank Tax	525.00	631.70	600.00
Highway Subsidy	.....	7,224.01	14,412.45
Meals and Rooms Tax	4,000.00	4,233.55	4,200.00
Reimbursement TRA	.....	153.93	.....
For Fighting Forest Fires	100.00	464.88	200.00
Class V Maintenance	2,059.16	2,059.16	1,835.45
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	200.00	362.30	100.00
From Local Sources			
Dog Licenses	450.00	476.00	475.00
Bus, Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	200.00	182.00	200.00
Interest Received on Taxes	200.00	386.77	200.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	12,000.00	13,413.03	13,000.00
Reimbursements a-c Business Profits Tax			
Town Portion Only	1,675.00	1,605.08	1,600.00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
(a) Resident Taxes Retained	.....	2,081.05	2,200.00
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	167.25	173.25	173.25
(c) Yield Taxes	100.00	963.40	500.00
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 23,676.41		\$ 41,696.15
*AMT. TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES	\$229,361.14	.....	.....

*Total estimated "Revenues from All Sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total Estimated "Appropriations" should give estimated "Amount to be raised by Property Taxes".

APPROPRIATIONS

	Appropriations Previous Year 1971	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1971	Estimated Appropriations Ensuing Year 1972
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,345.00	\$ 3,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	2,000.00	2,075.01	2,000.00
Election and Registration Expenses	700.00	366.50	1,000.00
Auto	1,000.00	1,013.20	1,000.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	700.00	199.73	500.00
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	500.00	512.71	500.00
Bow Lake Fire Department	800.00	800.00	800.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	1,500.00	2,755.57	2,000.00
Fire Department	2,000.00	2,680.67	2,000.00
Moth Exterm. — Blister Rust & Care of Trees	200.00	200.00	200.00
Crown Pt. Fire Department	300.00	143.96	.....
Insurance	1,500.00	398.00	1,000.00
Planning and Zoning	300.00	192.50	300.00
Dog Licenses	100.00	80.95	100.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	100.00	.....	100.00
Civil Defense	100.00	94.90	400.00
Health:			
Health Dept., Incl. Hospitals and Ambulances	1,300.00	1,300.00	1,500.00
Vital Statistics	50.00	24.50	50.00
Rural District Health Council	943.00	943.00	965.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	2,800.00	2,860.00	2,800.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Special Bridge Appropriation .....		.....	2,000.00
Town Maintenance — Summer	16,000.00	15,455.80	16,000.00
Town Maintenance — Winter	11,000.00	14,196.00	11,000.00
Street Lighting	700.00	741.80	750.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	4,000.00	4,676.42	4,000.00

Highways and Bridges:			
Town Road Aid	\$ 1,231.46	\$ 1,231.46	\$ 1,074.20
Libraries:			
Library Bid Committee	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00
Library	1,000.00	1,000.00	.....
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	3,000.00	2,884.96	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	1,500.00	913.45	1,000.00
Overseer of the Poor	50.00		
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	100.00	100.00	100.00
Highway Class V Maintenance	2,059.16	2,059.16	1,835.45
Public Service Enterprises:			
Conservation Commission	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,500.00
Bow Lake Beach	100.00	.....	100.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	125.00	.....	145.55
Interest on Debt:			
On Temporary Loans	1,300.00	968.35	1,000.00
Capital Outlay:			
State Aid Const. Town's Share (Hwys. and Bridges)	12,500.00	10,000.00	.....
Water St. Appr.	1,500.00	.....	.....
Capital Reserve Fund	.....	.....	1,000.00
County Tax	22,000.00	23,701.01	24,000.00
School Tax	154,178.93	135,539.32	168,040.33
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$256,737.55	.....	\$257,260.53

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land, improved and unimproved		\$2,098,500.00
Buildings		4,601,760.00
Public Utilities		539,800.00
City of Rochester (water pipeline)		4,100.00
Travel Trailers		10,100.00
Boats		<u>23,630.00</u>
Total Valuation before Exemptions Allowed		\$7,277,890.00
Elderly Exemptions	\$ 91,500.00	
School Dining Room, Dormitory and Kitchen Exemptions	<u>150,000.00</u>	
Total Exemptions Allowed		<u>241,500.00</u>
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is computed		\$7,036,390.00

WAR SERVICE TAX CREDITS

Totally disabled	1	\$ 600.00
All other qualified persons	<u>68</u>	<u>3,400.00</u>
Total number and amount	69	\$ 4,000.00
Number of inventories distributed		932
Date 1971 inventories were mailed		March 23
Number of inventories returned in 1971		610

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Total Town Appropriations		\$ 77,433.62
Less Estimated Revenues and Credits:		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 2,074.55	
Trinity Church Camp	300.00	
Savings Bank Tax	631.00	
Meals and Rooms Tax	4,198.00	
Reimbursement from State:		
Forest Fire	464.88	
Class V Highway Maintenance	2,059.16	
Yield Tax	466.00	
Interest Received on Taxes	365.06	
Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	139.00	
Dog Licenses	415.00	
Motor Vehicle Permits	11,500.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	173.25	
Resident Taxes Retained	2,695.00	
Refund O.A.A.	366.50	
Refund Town Poor	175.00	
Highway Subsidy	7,224.00	
Total Revenues and Credits	\$ 33,247.10	
Net Town Appropriation		44,186.52
Net School Appropriation		154,748.05
County Tax Assessment		23,701.01
Total Town, School and County		222,635.58
Deduct: Reimb. % Property Exempted 1970		— 1,605.08
		221,030.50
Add: War Service Tax Credits		+ 4,000.00
Add: Overlay		+ 4,355.81
Property Taxes to be Raised		\$229,386.31

Taxes Committed to Collector

Gross Property Taxes	\$229,386.31
Less: War Service Tax Credit	<u>– 4,000.00</u>
Net Property Taxes	\$225,386.31

FINANCIAL REPORT
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1971

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

JOHN B. YOUNG
ALBERT W. LEIGHTON
ALAN L. KNIGHT
Selectmen

PHYLLIS F. LYNBURG
Treasurer

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of Treasurer	\$ 72,647.18
In hands of officials, Bank Book #72650	<u>1.00</u>
Total	\$ 72,648.18

Capital Reserve Funds:

Special Highway and Fire Acct., Bank Book #N595	\$ 4,716.48
Class II Highway Acct., Bank Book #N596	<u>1,945.84</u>
Total	\$ 6,662.32

Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1970	\$ 785.35
Levy of 1969	445.76
Previous Years	<u>380.65</u>
Total	\$ 1,611.76

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1971, Incl. Resident Taxes	\$ 26,788.82
Levy of 1970	<u>142.97</u>
Total	\$ 26,931.79
Grand Total	\$107,854.05

Current Surplus, December 31, 1970	\$ 3,771.86
Current Surplus (Deficit), December 31, 1971	8,519.03
Increase of Surplus — Change in Financial Condition	4,747.17

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Capital Reserve Fund, Water St.	\$ 1,500.00
Appropriation for wall along Water St.	1,264.65

Due to State:

2% - Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes	160.00
School District(s) Tax(es) Payable	89,748.05

Other Liabilities:

Bank Book #N595	4,716.48
Bank Book #N596	<u>1,945.84</u>

Total Accounts Owed by the Town \$ 99,335.02

Total Liabilities \$ 99,335.02

Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities) \$ 8,519.03

Grand Total \$107,854.05

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes, Current Year, 1971	\$196,899.94
Resident Taxes, Current Year, 1971	3,670.00
National Bank Stock Taxes, Current Year, 1971	173.25
Yield Taxes, Current Year, 1971	<u>963.40</u>

Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted

\$201,706.59

Property Taxes and Yield Taxes, Previous Years	15,241.11
Poll Taxes, Previous Years	204.00
State Head Taxes, Previous Years	635.00
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes	386.77
Penalties on State Head Taxes, 58.00	
Penalties on Resident Taxes, <u>11.00</u>	

69.00

Tax Sales Redeemed

9,913.19

From State:

For Class V Highway Maintenance	\$ 2,059.16
Highway Subsidy	7,224.01
Interest and Dividends Tax	2,074.55
Grant Award — Radio	796.00
Savings Bank Tax	631.70
Reimbursement TRA	153.93
Fighting Forest Fires	464.88
Reimbursement a-c Old Age Assistance	362.30
Meals and Rooms Tax	4,233.55
Reimbursements a-c Business Profits Tax	1,605.08

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	\$ 476.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	182.00
Refunds Town Poor	279.20
Trinity Church Camp Lieu of Taxes	300.00
Spaulding Potter Trust (Library)	2,000.00
Motor Vehicle Permits 1970,	177.22
Motor Vehicle Permits 1971,	12,986.44
Motor Vehicle Permits 1972,	<u>249.37</u>
	<u>13,413.03</u>

Total Current Revenue Receipts \$264,411.05

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$ 70,000.00
Taxes Bought by Town	8,554.00
Abatements	<u>1,386.78</u>

Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue \$ 79,940.78

Total Receipts from All Sources \$334,351.83

Cash on hand January 1, 1971 - (July 1, 1971) \$ 49,465.99

Grand Total \$393,817.82

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$ 3,345.00
Town officers' expenses	2,075.01
Election and registration expenses	366.50
Auto Permits	1,013.20
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	199.73

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	2,755.57
Ctr. Fire Dept. Scott Air Packs	820.55
Fire department, incl. forest fires	2,680.67
Moth extermination — Blister Rust and Care of Trees	200.00
Planning and Zoning	192.50
Dog Permits	80.95
Insurance	398.00
Civil Defense	94.90
Bow Lake Fire Dept.	800.00

Health:

Health department, including hospitals & ambulance, Ctr. Barnstead	1,300.00
Vital statistics	24.50
Rural Dist. Health Council	943.00
Town dumps and garbage removal	2,860.50

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	1,231.46
Town Maintenance (Summer - \$15,455.80)	
Town Maintenance (Winter - \$14,196.89)	29,652.69

Highways and Bridges:

Street Lighting \$ 741.80

General Expenses of Highway Dept. 4,676.42

Libraries:

Maintenance \$1,000.00

Spaulding Potter, \$2,000.00

1971 Appro. 3,000.00 \$ 6,000.00

Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance \$ 913.45

Town Poor 2,884.96

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations
and Old Home Day 100.00

Public Service Enterprises:

Conservation Commission 1,000.00

Unclassified:

Taxes bought by town 8,554.00

Discounts, Abatements and Refunds 1,468.94

Employees' Retirement and Social
Security 512.71

Debt Service:**Interest on Debt:**

Paid on tax anticipation notes 968.35

Principal of Debt:

Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes 70,000.00

Capital Outlay:

Highways and Bridges — State Aid
construction 10,000.00

Crown Pt. Fire Dept. 143.96

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Resident Taxes Paid State Treasurer,
1971 1,588.95

State Head Taxes paid State Treasurer,
Prior Years 1,314.50

Payments to State a-c 2% Bond &
Debt Retirement Taxes 27.20

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Taxes paid to County	\$ 23,701.01
Payments to School Districts,	
1970 Tax, \$70,539.32	
1971 Tax, \$65,000.00	<u>135,539.32</u>
Total Payments to Other Gov. Div.	\$321,170.64
Cash on hand December 31, 1971	\$ 72,647.18
Grand Total	\$393,817.82

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 10,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	2,000.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	
Furniture and Equipment	750.00
Police Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment, Radio	1,000.00
Parking Meters	
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	9,000.00
Equipment	4,000.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	400.00
Materials and Supplies	
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	7,500.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	160,000.00
Equipment	15,000.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds:	
3 acres Joseph Caverly lot Dump	200.00
North Strafford School House lot	75.00
10 acres Paradise wood lot	100.00
½ acre E. Dudley lot	100.00
½ acre E. Wilkinson lot	200.00
1 acre George Walker Place	1,500.00
Total	<u>\$211,825.00</u>

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

Victor S. Bergstrom, Selectman	\$ 120.00
John B. Young, Selectman	700.00
Albert W. Leighton, Selectman	600.00
Alan L. Knight, Selectman	500.00
Oscar B. Pratt, Trustee of Trust Funds	50.00
Donald R. Poppema, Auditor	35.00
Roger S. Leighton, Auditor	35.00
Phyllis F. Lynbourg, Treasurer and Clerk	575.00
James F. Stiles, Tax Collector	730.00
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Total	\$ 3,345.00

Town Office Expense

Town Clerks Assoc.	\$ 6.00
John B. Young, postage \$20.00; supplies \$15.80	35.80
Albert W. Leighton, mileage \$10.00; postage \$48.00	58.00
William Lynbourg, postage	170.60
Brown and Saltmarsh	94.98
Assoc. of N. H. Assessors	15.00
N. H. Municipal Assoc.	57.35
Ridings Press, Inc.	981.50
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co.	64.67
N. H. Tax Collectors Assoc.	5.00
Marjorie E. Holmes	144.75
State of N. H.	45.43
James F. Stiles	15.13
Phyllis F. Lynbourg	25.60
Fosters Daily Democrat	56.80
George Thorne	2.40
Kendall Insurance, Inc.	63.00
N. H. Publishing Co.	31.00
N. H. Town Clerks Assoc.	8.00

Town Office Expense (cont.)

Foss and Came	\$ 194.00
Total	<u>\$ 2,075.01</u>

Election and Registration

Leonard C. Hardwick	\$ 25.00
Willis G. Bennett	82.00
Freda J. Harding	82.00
Hattie Foss	21.00
Myrtle Hammer	82.00
Justine Leighton	21.00
Arthur Harding	21.00
Fifield Printing	<u>32.50</u>
Total	<u>\$ 366.50</u>

Other Payments

Phyllis F. Lynbourg, auto permits	\$ 1,013.20
Town Office, telephone	199.73
Police	2,755.57
Special 1971 Fire Appro. Airpacks	820.55
Fire, Including Forest Fires	2,680.67
Blister Rust Program	200.00
Insurance	398.00
Civil Defense	94.90
Vital Statistics	24.50
Ctr. Barnstead Ambulance Service	1,300.00
Town Dump	2,860.50
Highways, Summer	13,396.64
Winter	14,196.89
General	4,676.42
T.R.A.	1,231.46
Class V Maintenance	2,059.16

Other Payments (cont.)

Street Lights	\$ 741.80
Libraries	3,000.00
Old Age Assistance	913.45
Town Poor	2,884.96
Rural District Health Council	943.00
Memorial Day	100.00
Conservation Commission	1,000.00
Bow Lake Fire Dept.	800.00
Head Tax	1,314.50
Expense of Dog Taxes	80.95
Taxes Bought by Town	8,554.00
Discounts and Abatements	1,468.94
Social Security	512.71
Interest on Temporary Loans	968.35
State of N. H. Class II Construction	10,000.00
Special Cr. Point Fire Appro.	143.96
Bond and Debt Retirement Payment	27.27
Planning Board	192.50
1971 Appropriation to Library Assoc.	3,000.00
Temporary Loans	70,000.00
County Tax	23,701.01
Resident Tax to State	1,588.95
Strafford School District	<u>135,539.32</u>
Total	<u><u>\$315,383.86</u></u>
Total Payments All Categories	\$321,170.37

Highway Account

Total Labor, Hired and Machines	
Summer	\$ 15,455.80
Winter	14,196.89
General	<u>4,676.42</u>

Highway Account (cont.)

Total Payments	\$ 34,329.11
Less Class V Maintenance	<u>— 2,059.16</u>
	\$ 32,269.95
1971 Highway Appropriation	<u>31,000.00</u>
Overexpended	\$ 1,269.95

State Highway Subsidy

1971 Highway Appropriation	\$ 31,000.00
Received Highway Fund Grant	<u>7,224.01</u>
	\$ 23,775.99
Amount Overexpended	<u>1,269.95</u>
Amount Raised by Property Taxes	\$ 25,045.94

1970-1971 School Account

School Appropriation	\$154,748.05
Payments to December 31, 1971	<u>65,000.00</u>
Balance Due Schools	\$ 89,748.05

Class II Highway Account

Balance January 1, 1971	\$ 1,851.16
Interest to December 31, 1971	<u>94.68</u>
Balance December 31, 1971	\$ 1,945.84

Special Highway and Fire Equipment Account

Balance December 31, 1970	\$ 4,486.92
Interest to December 31, 1971	<u>229.56</u>
Balance December 31, 1971	\$ 4,716.48

Town Dump Account

Appropriation (1971)	\$ 2,800.00
William Nelson (caretaker)	\$ 2,012.00

Town Dump Account (cont.)

Thorne Construction (machine)	\$ 87.00		
Dan Towle (machine)	60.00		
Radford Messenger (machine)	<u>701.50</u>		
Total	\$2,860.50		
Overexpended		\$	60.50

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1971

Receipts

Balance, January 1, 1971	\$ 49,465.99	
Receipts, 1971	<u>344,351.83</u>	
		\$393,817.82

Expenditures

Expenditures, 1971	\$321,170.64	
Balance, December 31, 1971	<u>72,647.18</u>	
		\$393,817.82

Rochester Savings Bank and Trust Co.:

Bank Book No. 72650 \$ 1.00

Bank Book No. N595 (Capital Reserve Fund)

Balance, January 1, 1971 \$ 4,486.92

Interest, 1971 229.56

\$ 4,716.48

Bank Book No. N596 (Class II
Highway Acct.)

Balance, January 1, 1971 \$ 1,851.16

Interest, 1971 94.68

\$ 1,945.84

PHYLLIS F. LYNBURG
Town Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1971

Receipts:

1970 Auto Permits:

Ser. Nos. 538522 – 538553	\$ 177.22
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1971 Auto Permits:

Ser. Nos. 536813 – 537783	12,986.44
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1972 Auto Permits:

Ser. Nos. 599501 – 599518	<u>249.37</u>
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Total Auto Permits	\$ 13,413.03
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Dog and Kennel Licenses	476.00
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Filing Fees	<u>9.00</u>
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Total Receipts	\$ 13,898.03
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Remittances to Town Treasurer:

Auto Permits	\$ 13,413.03
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Dog and Kennel Licenses	476.00
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Filing Fees	<u>9.00</u>
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Total Remittances	\$ 13,898.03
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PHYLLIS F. LYNBOURG
Town Clerk

TOWN MEETING — MARCH 9, 1971

At a legal Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said State, the following action was taken on the Town Warrant on Tuesday, the 9th day of March 1971.

The meeting at the Strafford Elementary School in Strafford was called to order by the Moderator, Judge Leonard C. Hardwick, at 10:00 A.M. The polls were declared open for voting on Article 1 from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Article 2 — 26 to be voted on at 8:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. The following officers were declared elected and administered the oath of office before the Moderator, Judge Leonard C. Hardwick.

Number of eligible voters on checklist:	566
Number of votes cast:	333

		Votes
Selectman for 3 years	Alan L. Knight	215
Town Clerk for 3 years	Phyllis F. Lynbourg	322
Town Treasurer for 3 years	Phyllis F. Lynbourg	322
Tax Collector for 3 years	James F. Stiles	314
Town Auditor for 2 years	Roger Leighton	21
Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years	Albert H. Brown	289
Library Trustee for 3 years	Hattie M. Foss	310
Road Agent for 1 year	Radford L. Messenger	155

The following candidates were not elected:

Selectman for 3 years	Ralph A. Fournier	68
Road Agent for 1 year	Philip L. Dame	43
Road Agent for 1 year	Gerald E. Thorne	128
Road Agent for 1 year (withdrew)	Francis H. Tasker	6

ARTICLE 2. Motion by Albert Leighton that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$38,100.00 to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. Seconded by John Young.

Wesley Martin, amend motion to reduce appropriation by 10%. Seconded. Vote in the negative.

Motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$38,100.00 to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 3. Motion by John Young to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00 for Public Welfare including Old Age Assistance. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 4. Victor Bergstrom moved the Town accept Town Road Aid and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,231.46 to which the State will contribute \$8,209.73. Seconded by Albert Leighton. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 5. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$31,000.00 for Highways and Bridges. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 6. Moderator ruled later part of article 6 cannot be voted on at this time due to more than \$20,000.00 bond issue, which must appear on a printed ballot.

Motion by Albert Leighton to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be matched with \$10,000.00 by the State, for Class II Highway presently laid out from Ernest Brown's residence toward intersection of Province and Northwood Roads, as far as will go. Seconded by John Young.

Amendment by Carolyn Clarke, to petition the legislature to relieve the Town of further obligation of this road. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Motion and amendment passed in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 7. John Young moved to pass article 7. Seconded by Albert Leighton. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 8. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for the Capital Reserve Fund for improving Water Street and docking facilities at Bow Lake. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the negative.

ARTICLE 9. Motion by Victor Bergstrom that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for maintaining Bow Lake Beach at the Dam. Seconded by John Young. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 10. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for maintenance of the Bow Lake Fire Dept. Seconded by Charles Abry. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 11. Motion by Victor Bergstrom that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for improvements to the Crown Point Fire House. Seconded by Clara Bell. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 12. Motion by Edgar Burrows that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the repair of the Center Strafford Fire House. Seconded by Loren Pierce. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 13. Motion by Victor Bergstrom that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the White Pine Blister Rust Control Program. Seconded by John Young. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 14. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for observance of Memorial Day. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 15. Albert Brown moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 for the Lakes Region Association. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the negative.

ARTICLE 16. Motion by Marjorie Foss that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for operating the Town Library. Seconded by Oscar Pratt. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 17. Report by Davis Clarke. Motion by Linda Connelly that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to be used by the

Strafford Library Association for the construction of a Library. Seconded.

Amendment by Mr. Anderson to increase the appropriation to \$3,000.00. Seconded by Davis Clarke. Vote in the affirmative.

Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 to be used by the Strafford Library Association for the construction of a Library. Seconded.

Albert Leighton moved to vote in by paper ballot. Seconded. Vote the negative.

Motion voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 18. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,800.00 for control and operation of the Town Dump. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 19. Report in Book. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$943.00 in support of the Rural District Health Council. Seconded by John O'Brien. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 20. Report in book. Motion by John Young that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,300.00 as a donation to the Center Barnstead Fire Dept. for providing Ambulance Service to the Town of Strafford. Seconded by Inez Whitcher. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 21. Report in book. The Moderator stated that this is the 150th anniversary of the first town meeting of Strafford. (Second Tuesday, March 1821). He extended congratulations to the Sesquicentennial Committee and citizens on their success of the anniversary celebration.

ARTICLE 22. James Foss moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the Town Conservation Fund. Report given by the commission. Report in book.

ARTICLE 23. Winthrop Hayes moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for the purchase of two self-contained breathing apparatus units. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 24. Motion by Albert Leighton that the Town grant 2% discount on taxes paid within thirty-five days of mailing of tax bills. Seconded by Clara Bell. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 25. Arthur Harding moved the Town authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes. Seconded by Victor Bergstrom. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 26. John O'Brien moved to adorn the cover of next year's Town Report with Austin Cate Academy's 1971 Champion Basketball Team and Emblem. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Motion by John Bozak to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of four to study the problem of waste disposal in the Town. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Albert Leighton moved we give George Edmunds, Chairman of the Sesquicentennial Committee, a standing vote of appreciation for his time and effort in making the celebration a success.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

A true record: Attest—

PHYLLIS F. LYNBOURG
Town Clerk

A true copy of record: Attest—

PHYLLIS F. LYNBOURG
Town Clerk

Current Year's Levy
SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
Property, Resident and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1971

Dr.		
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	\$225,337.83	
Resident Taxes	4,900.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	<u>173.25</u>	
Total Warrant		\$230,411.08
Yield Taxes		1,090.42
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes	\$ 547.55	
Resident Taxes	<u>110.00</u>	
		657.55
Overpayments During Year:		
a/c Property Taxes	\$ 52.39	
a/c Resident Taxes	<u>0</u>	
		52.39
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes		21.71
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		11.00
TOTAL DEBITS		<u>\$232,244.15</u>

Cr.		
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	\$196,899.94	
Resident Taxes	3,670.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	173.25	
Yield Taxes	855.10	
Interest Collected	21.71	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>11.00</u>	
		\$201,631.00
Discounts Allowed		3,431.18
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	\$ 393.15	
Resident Taxes	0	
Yield Taxes	<u>0</u>	
		393.15
Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1971:		
(As per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes	\$ 25,213.50	
Resident Taxes	1,340.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>235.32</u>	
		26,788.82
TOTAL CREDITS		\$232,244.15

Previous Year's Levy
SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
 Property, Poll and Yield Tax
 Levy of 1970

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes — As of January 1, 1971:

Property Taxes	\$ 23,336.95
Poll Taxes	280.00
Yield Taxes	<u>523.85</u>

\$ 24,140.80

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	0
Poll Taxes	<u>64.00</u>

64.00

Overpayments:

Property Taxes	0
Poll Taxes	0

Interest Collected During Fiscal Year:

Ended December 31, 1971

Property Taxes	365.06
Property Taxes	291.50
Yield Taxes	<u>2.38</u>

658.94

TOTAL DEBITS

\$ 24,863.74

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year
 ended December 31, 1971

Property Taxes	\$ 15,000.45
Property Taxes Sold to Town	8,554.00
Poll Taxes	204.00
Yield Taxes	346.58
Interest Collected During Year	365.06
Interest Collected on Yield Tax	<u>2.38</u>

\$ 24,472.47

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	0
Poll Taxes	140.00
Yield Taxes	<u>108.30</u>

248.30

Uncollected Taxes — December 31, 1971:
 (as per Collector's List)

Yield Taxes	68.97
Property Taxes	74.00
Poll Taxes	<u>0</u>

142.97

TOTAL CREDITS

\$ 24,863.74

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

State Head Tax

Levy of 1970

Dr.

Uncollected Head Taxes — as of January 1, 1971	\$	740.00	
Added Taxes During 1971		190.00	
Penalties Collected During 1971		<u>58.00</u>	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$		988.00

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer During 1971:			
Head Taxes	\$	635.00	
Penalties		<u>58.00</u>	
			\$ 693.00
Abatements During 1971	\$	295.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes — as of December 31, 1971 as per collector's list		00	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$		988.00

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

As of December 31, 1971

Levy of	1970	1969	1968	Previous Years
Dr.				
a. Taxes sold to town during current fiscal year	\$8,554.00	.....	.....	.....
b. Balance of Unredeemed taxes January 1, 1971	.....	1,656.77	295.38	513.20
Interest Collected after sale	301.87	134.98	.....	110.04
Redemption Costs	<u>19.44</u>			<u>3.24</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$8,875.31	\$1,791.75	\$ 295.38	\$ 626.48
Cr.				
Remittances to Treasurer during year	\$7,768.65	\$1,211.01	\$.....	\$ 362.96
Redemptions				
Interest and Costs after sale	321.31	134.98	.....	113.28
Abatements made during yr.	.....	.....	.....	5.83
Deeded to Young during yr.				59.14
Unredeemed Taxes — as of December 31, 1971	<u>785.35</u>	<u>445.76</u>	<u>295.38</u>	<u>85.27</u>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$8,875.31	\$1,701.75	\$ 295.38	\$ 626.48

LIBRARY REPORT

Books owned by Library Jan. 1, 1971	2,237
Books donated	99
Books donated, paper backs	19
Books discarded	6
Books owned by Library Jan. 1, 1972	2,484
Books borrowed, Book Mobile	1,130
Books circulated	3,105

ELEANOR T. SMITH
Librarian

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

On hand January 1, 1971	\$	498.19
Received:		
Town of Strafford, appro.	\$	1,000.00
Late book fees		13.00
Interest on bank book		<u>10.88</u>
		<u>1,023.88</u>
		1,522.07
Expenditures:		
Eleanor Smith, Librarian		313.60
New books		400.96
Magazines		4.50
Tri State Gas Co.		41.17
Two new check books		5.00
Book jackets		9.65
Library Catalog		<u>50.00</u>
		<u>824.88</u>
On hand December 31, 1971	\$	697.19

SPECIAL FUND
(On Deposit at Rochester Trust Co.)

On hand January 1, 1971	\$ 2,822.74
Interest	<u>156.78</u>
On hand December 31, 1971	\$ 2,979.52

**REPORT OF THE STRAFFORD
LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**

The Strafford Library Association has constructed a 24' by 40' building to serve as the town library. The \$3,000 construction grant from the town of Strafford was a welcome addition to other donations which have made the building possible.

The building has been constructed on a concrete slab and has completely insulated walls and ceiling. The ceiling is a suspended type with recessed panel lighting. The floor is carpeted with the exception of the bathroom and utility room. The water system includes plastic piping from an adequate well that supplies a jet pump and electric heater. An approved septic system and leaching field have been installed. Work has been done on a parking lot and driveway and paving will be completed when weather permits. Use of shrubs and other plantings are contemplated so that the town may have its library in an attractive setting. The building is heated electrically. Vinyl siding has been used so that it will not need painting. The type of construction and the materials have been so chosen that maintenance costs will be cut to a minimum.

Volunteer work has speeded the construction and cut costs. Radford Messenger donated much of the costs of excavation. Installation of the water system and painting was done by volunteers. Part of the book shelving and possibly other furnishings will

be provided by volunteers. Some commercially-made furniture will be provided by the Strafford Library Association. Landscaping and various other work will be the result of volunteer labor.

Construction of the Library was prompted by Bernice Hill's generous offer of \$10,000. Subsequently Gordon Hill offered and gave the building site which was gratefully accepted. These contributions were made meaningful by the added financial support and combined efforts of the Library Association and other interested townspeople.

The once seemingly unreachable goal of a modern town library is fast becoming a reality and at minimal cost to the taxpayers. The citizens of Strafford now have a valuable new cultural asset; a good place for children to go in evenings and on Saturdays, and especially, a recreational opportunity for adults of any age. To make this project an on-going success continued support is needed.

KENNETH A. BERRY,
Chairman
Strafford Library Association

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

On March 31, 1971, a Warranty Deed was signed by Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Weidman, conveying a 65-acre tract of land to the Town of Strafford, this land to serve as a Town Forest, "for the use of and consistent with the aims and objectives of its Conservation Commission, as provided by Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 36-1."

We hereby wish to express deep appreciation to the Weidmans for this valuable gift, which because of its nature, will become an even greater asset to the Town and its residents as the years go by.

Last Spring an experimental planting was made in an open area of this woodland. Over 500 trees of several species were set out by Strafford Boy Scouts with the help and supervision of John Bozak, Forester, and their Scoutmaster, Radford Messenger. Some shrubs which will provide food for wildlife were included in this project.

Mapping and Inventory of the Forest will have been started before this Town Meeting and other work will be done as time allows.

The practice of spraying poison ivy near public buildings, cemeteries, etc. will be continued as in the previous several years. If individuals have serious problems with this weed the Commission may be able to help in a limited way.

Members of the Commission have attended a number of meetings on subjects related to conservation, seeking to learn as much as possible. The Annual Meeting of the N.H. Association of Conservation Commissions was especially helpful, with reports given by many Town Commissions, including our own. Greatly stressed was the vital role of wetlands in our natural resource environment. This should be of great concern to all of us.

Much attention is currently focused on recycling of bottles, cans and newspapers. Your Commission would be glad to have offers of help and suggestions for practical ways of participating in such projects.

Due to the scope of Conservation work, and the time involved, the Commission has appointed two sub-committees.

(R.S.A. 36—A:2)

Forestry: John Bozak and Donald Black

Education: Bruce Smith and Ann Smith

These committees are taking an active interest in their respective projects and their efforts are greatly appreciated.

Regular meetings of the Conservation Commission are held monthly and special meetings when necessary or desirable. Any suggestions that will help serve the best interests of the Town will be welcomed at any time.

MARJORIE A. FOSS
NEVA L. STILES
ROGER S. LEIGHTON
DONALD R. POPPEMA
VICTOR S. BERGSTROM
Conservation Commission

Financial Report — January 1 - December 31, 1971

Balance Forward	\$ 1,710.11	
Interest on Bank Account, 1 year	20.34	
		<hr/> 1,730.45
Expenditures:		
Balance on Projector Equipment	48.90	
N.H.A. Conservation Comm. Dues	35.00	
Walter Weidman, Standing Timber in Town Forest	1,500.00	
Register Deed	3.50	
		<hr/> 1,587.40
Balance December 31, 1971	\$ 143.05	

CIVIL DEFENSE REPORT

1971 was the year when renewed emphasis was placed on developing an active Civil Defense Program for the Town. This increased interest was the result of two practical considerations.

First, Strafford is growing and as more people move in there is a need to develop and hold ready a workable disaster plan to enable the Town to assist itself when natural disasters strike or other calamities occur. Secondly, by participating with the State in keeping current a basic emergency operation plan for Strafford, the Town is eligible for surplus Federal property at little or no cost useful to the Town for emergency situations. Through this program, the Town has recently acquired a surplus Army Truck which will be converted into a badly needed Tank Truck for the Town Fire Department. It is planned to acquire other necessary equipment under this program for the Department as it becomes available.

Our 1972 plan designates the Bow Lake Grange Hall as a Town Evacuation Center. It is hoped that the surplus program will help in furnishing kitchen equipment and a standby generator to make the hall self-sufficient for group feeding or other use in case of power loss or other Town emergency.

I wish to express my appreciation to the townspeople who are helping in putting the program together.

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID S. DUPEE
Civil Defense Director

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

Lest We Forget— It Can Happen Here

Disastrous forest and brush fires that destroy hundreds of homes are more prevalent on the west coast with their dry seasons and strong, dry, hot winds but 25 years ago this fall is the anniversary of a disaster that devastated large areas of northern New England leaving villages in ashes with rows of cellarholes and chimneys in a number of summer vacation home locations. Many lives were lost on that destructive day of October 23, 1947; nothing could stop the wind driven flames.

It is true that such conditions are unusual for New Hampshire but they happened once, they can happen again. The fuel for fires is all around us. All it takes is a firebrand. Only by cultivating a habit of carefulness with fire at all times can we meet the challenge of protection when dry conditions prevail. Please let these reminders be your guide:

1. Never, either when walking, riding or driving, discard a firebrand— a lighted match or a glowing cigarette.
2. Always obtain a permit for any outside burning. The burning of household rubbish is not permitted if your town has rubbish collection. Burning of grass or garden litter can be dangerous. See your warden first.
3. If you camp or picnic, be sure open fires are allowed and if they are, put them **dead out** when leaving.
4. **Most important**— instruct your children in the danger of the lighted match. A lighted match and dry grass or forest litter is a dangerous combination which leads to destructive loss and can lead to tragedy.

The past year, 1971, was a favorable year for the control of fires. There were too many fire starts in some towns. We thank those who remembered and ask others to heed Smokey's message.

Number of fires reported and acres burned – 1971 season:

State	.....	463 fires	160 acres
District	.....	37 fires	27 acres
Town	.....	4 fires	2 acres

IVAN E. SCRANTON

District Chief

SUMNER B. HAYES

Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

Most of the year's appropriation was used for general maintenance of town roads. Some of the extra work projects included in the budget were:

Resurfacing four existing black top roads;

- Second Crown Point Road from J. Hasting's to C. Foss's.
- Upper section of First Crown Point Road from Dynamite Corner to A. Turgeon's.
- Dump Road from bottom of Caverly Hill to W. Nelson's.
- All of Water Street.

Several sections of dirt roads were widened and graveled;

- Blue Job Mountain Road from J. Johnstone's to existing black top in preparation for extension of mail route.
- Camp Jo-Al-Co Road to help both summer maintenance and winter plowing.
- Lovejoy Road from Wingate's Corner to C. Schreoder's new house.
- Some work started on the Bow Lake end of the Old Bridge Road.

RADFORD MESSENGER
Road Agent

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Strafford Planning Board held some 14 official meetings during 1971, besides many hours of separate endeavor by the members. All these meetings are public and some were very well attended. Joint meetings were held with the Strafford Conservation Committee, the Strafford Board of Adjustment and with Mr. Charles E. Noyes, the Executive Director of the Strafford County Regional Planning Commission.

The Board has prepared a series of amendments to the present Zoning and Land Use Ordinance to be heard at two public hearings and then voted on at the March Town Meeting. Two of these are clarifications of the present wordings while the others cover regulations of Mobile Homes and Trailer Parks. The Board has heard such a variety of opinions expressed in connection with these items that we deem it necessary to get an actual count to determine the wishes of the majority of the voters.

The Planning Board presently consists of:

David Dupee, Member
James Foss, Member
John Young, Selectman Member
Frederick Lundberg, Clerk
Raymond Grant, Chairman

Although not an official member, Attorney Russell Shillaber has rendered invaluable assistance to the Board.

Respectfully submitted
RAYMOND GRANT,
Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT RURAL DISTRICT HEALTH COUNCIL

January 1, 1971 – December 31, 1971

The Rural District Health Council continues to provide visiting nurse service to the member towns: Northwood, Nottingham, Deerfield, Barrington, Strafford, Middleton and New Durham. The nurses have continued to provide nursing services to patients needing care and have expanded the Family Planning Program to include all of the towns of the Council. In April, with the assistance of Mrs. Mary Caminati, N.H. Public Health Nurse, a Child Health Conference was started at the Community Center in Deerfield to provide physical examinations and immunizations for preschool children in the towns of Northwood, Nottingham and Deerfield. If indicated, the children are referred to other services. The attending physician at the monthly conference is Dr. William Whitney of Exeter. In September, with the aid of Mrs. Muriel Morin, N.H. Public Health Nurse, a monthly Child Health Conference was started at the Town Hall in New Durham for the towns of New Durham and Middleton with Dr. Wendy Tinklepaugh of Amherst, N.H., as attending physician. We are hoping to establish a Child Health Conference for Barrington and Strafford in the spring of 1972.

The Following Statistical Report Covers the Year of 1971

Total number of visits: 1543

Barrington	271	Northwood	185
Strafford	163	Nottingham	111
New Durham	272	Deerfield	249

Total number of visits to Child Health Conferences: 320

Northwood	81	Middleton	33
Nottingham	57	New Durham	44
Deerfield	105		

Number of children attending conference:

Northwood	37	Middleton	15
Nottingham	33	New Durham	37
Deerfield	57		

Number of families represented at conference:

Northwood	16	Middleton	10
Nottingham	18	New Durham	12
Deerfield	28		

We are very fortunate to have Miss Arlene Thorne covering the Strafford County towns and Mrs. Madeline Sullivan in the Rockingham County towns. These two nurses are very dedicated to their duties and provide excellent nursing care for the people of the Rural District Health Council.

The Rural District Health Council has been supported by the funds contributed by the towns at a rate of \$1.00 per capita, a state grant and fees for service.

Anyone interested in the program or needing the service is asked to contact the Portsmouth Rehabilitation Center— Tel: 436-5716 or a representative of the Rural District Health Council in your town.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
January 1, 1971 to December 31, 1971

Community Service	
Messages delivered	11
Try to locate	6
Vacant home check	7
Funeral traffic control	5
Emergency hospital transportation	2
Motor Vehicle	
Accidents investigated	5
Hit and run	1
Defective equipment tags issued	22
Stolen autos recovered	5
Stolen autos investigated	1
Stolen license plate	1
Illegal parking	11
Complaints Answered	
Malicious damage	24
Breaking and entering	17
Stolen bikes and mini-bikes	5
Prowlers	1
Snowmobiles	3
Dog complaints	22
Animals at large	6
Assisting other Departments	
Investigative	7
Message relay	2
Actions	
Court cases	7
Warnings issued	14
Miscellaneous	<u>14</u>
Total	201

The above information represents the second reporting year for the Strafford Police Department. Contrasted with the 85 actions reported in 1970, our investigative and related duties more than doubled during the past year. Part of this increase can be attributed to the fact that more townspeople are aware of the availability of police service and have called on us for assistance. Unfortunately, other reasons relate more closely to the fact that some categories, such as malicious damage and breaking and entering, have shown an increase over a year ago.

A Police Training School was sponsored by the Department with instructions furnished by State Police, Motor Vehicle, and the Strafford County Law Enforcement personnel. Aside from our own officers, policemen from Northwood, Rochester, and Barrington received instruction under this program. The Rochester Police Department also held a training course which I was able to attend for the Town.

The two-way radio acquired by the Town last year has been a tremendous help to the Department in carrying out our duties in a more efficient manner. The future acquisition of a "monitor" radio to be used in conjunction with our present set will increase our capabilities even further.

Our present Department strength includes Special Policemen Carl Brown, Steve Leighton, Lauren Pierce, Bill Porter and Harold Irving. Auxilliary Policemen are Phil Dame, Irving Bickford, Bill Rainey, Win Hayes and Dick Allard.

On behalf of the men in the Department, I wish to thank the inhabitants of the Town of Strafford for their continued support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted:
EDGAR BURROWS
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Rules and Regulations for Special Police Officers
TO: All Special Police Officers

Effective as of December 20, 1971, the following rules and regulations will pertain to all Special Police Officers in the Town of Strafford:

1. All Special Officers will be under the direct supervision of the Chief, and will take orders from him.
2. The Chief of Police is responsible to the Selectmen for all police duties performed by him and his men.
3. Under no circumstances, other than an emergency, will a person appointed as a Special Officer perform the duties of same without the approval of the Chief of Police or the Selectmen, meaning that no one will take it upon himself to go on duty without first being called by the Chief, or to answer a complaint.
4. If a Special Officer is called to perform his duties, he will, within 24 hours, make a written report to the Chief, stating the time, date and circumstances for which he was called, and the disposition of the case.
5. Any Special Officer receiving a complaint call shall, if unable to answer said call, call another officer.
6. Any officer, while on duty or answering any emergency call, may be accompanied only by another officer or other persons authorized by the Selectmen.
7. If for the safety of the Town's people it is necessary to have a police patrol at certain times of the year, then it is the responsibility of the Chief, with the approval of the Selectmen, to set up a scheduled patrol.

8. Any one officer not abiding by said rules and regulations will, upon first offense, receive a written warning from the Chief, and upon second offense will be relieved of his duties.

JOHN B. YOUNG
ALBERT W. LEIGHTON
ALAN L. KNIGHT
Selectmen, Town of Strafford

STRAFFORD SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

With the advent of "A History of Strafford" which was published last month, the duties of the Sesquicentennial Committee have been completed. I claim full responsibility for the tardiness of the book, any errors, (few I hope), and for the errors of omission that were inevitable.

I would like to extend my special thanks to Mrs. Lena V. Leighton, who is the principal author of "A History of Strafford", for the supreme effort she made. Without her knowledge, guidance, patience, and encouragement, the town would still be awaiting its first history.

Because the history was compiled on a purely voluntary basis, the production schedule was considerably lengthened.

I respectfully suggest that the citizens establish a permanent Town History Committee and assign said committee the task of continuing the collection of facts, documents, and photographs with the intent of revising the town history ten years hence.

GEORGE A. EDMUNDS

Chairman

Strafford Sesquicentennial Committee

SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand in checking account January 1, 1971	\$3,744.82
Expenses year 1971 for town history	<u>476.19</u>
Balance on hand in checking account Dec. 31, 1971	\$3,268.63

The above financial report of the Sesquicentennial still remains incomplete due to the fact that the final cost of the publishing of the histories has not been received. The committee still has on hand Sesquicentennial Plates to be sold, and the histories will be available when you read this report or shortly thereafter.

CENTER BARNSTEAD FIRE DEPARTMENT

This letter, attached to the request for appropriation from **your** town for operating daytime ambulance service, is to explain to the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee and the voters the reason for the increase over last year.

The Center Barnstead Ambulance Service, after two years of unsuccessfully striving to obtain financial aid from the Town of Loudon for its share of the salary expense, has decided that, in fairness to the towns that are paying their share, the ambulance service in that town should be discontinued.

Not having the financial assistance from the Town of Loudon over the past two years has compelled us to draw money from our Treasury to meet the deficit; needless to say, this money should have gone towards new ambulance equipment, vehicle maintenance and eventual replacement of the ambulance.

We now have no alternative but to divide the Town of Loudon's per capita share among the remaining seven towns, which, of course, slightly raises the amount needed from each of these towns; but, by not servicing the large territory that the Town of Loudon covers, the service to the participating towns will be that much more effective.

We trust that our decision is agreeable to each and all of the remaining towns as, needless to say, it will take their continued financial support to enable us to keep operating our emergency daytime service.

We very much appreciate your past support and, with your future assistance, we look forward to giving the efficient service that you have received over the past twelve years.

Sincerely yours,
WARREN E. RILEY
Chief

CENTER BARNSTEAD FIRE DEPARTMENT

	<u>Ambulance Calls 1970</u>	<u>Ambulance Calls 1971</u>
Pittsfield	64	68
Barnstead	57	50
Epsom	24	46
Northwood	51	48
Strafford	15	7
Chichester	14	18
Gilmanton	18	24

ANNUAL COST PER MAN:

Salary	\$ 5,980.00
Blue Cross Insurance	309.44
Social Security	310.96
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	128.00
Vacation	<u>115.00</u>
Total	\$ 6,843.40
Second man	<u>6,843.40</u>
	\$13,686.80

WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST REPORT

1971 Financial Statement

Total Municipal Contributions		\$ 14,142.20
Indirect State Contributions	\$ 25,962.11	
Direct State Contributions	3,347.26	
Special State Study Completion	<u>210.16</u>	
Total State Contributions		\$ 29,519.53
Federal Financial Contribution	\$ 26,000.00	
Federal Technical Contribution	<u>15,787.00</u>	
Total Federal Contributions		\$ 41,787.00
Total Program Contributions		<u>\$ 85,448.73</u>
Your Municipal Appropriation	\$ 200.00	
Portion of Appropriation Expended	<u>200.00</u>	
Balance Due Your Municipality	<u>None</u>	

1971 Accomplishments

Total Acreage Receiving Attention Statewide	183,519
Total Acreage Receiving Attention in Your Municipality	<u>2,600</u>

If a refund is due your municipality, a check is enclosed.

If you should wish further details on disease control, contact the local Technician-in-Charge of the project in your area or this office.

Sincerely yours,
THEODORE NATTI
 Director of Resources Development

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT
Officers

SCHOOL BOARD

Edgar W. Huckins, Jr., Chairman	Term Expires 1972
Mrs. Carolyn Clarke	Term Expires 1973
Robert B. Dowst	Term Expires 1974

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Charles H. Morgan, B.S.ED., M.ED.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Kenneth J. Beaupre, B.ED., M.ED.

TREASURER

Mrs. Christine Bozak

MODERATOR

Leonard Hardwick

CLERK

Mrs. Sylvia Dowst

AUDITORS

Roger Leighton
Donald Poppema

ATTENDANCE OFFICER AND SCHOOL CENSUS

Leonard W. Davis

SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Lois Fistere, R.N.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TENTATIVE STRAFFORD SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford School in said district on the 7th day of March 1972, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To choose Auditors, and all other necessary officers and agents for the ensuing year.

Given under our hands at said Strafford this 3rd day of February 1972.

EDGAR W. HUCKINS, JR.
CAROLYN CLARKE
ROBERT B. DOWST
School Board

A true copy of Warrant— Attest:

EDGAR W. HUCKINS, JR.
CAROLYN CLARKE
ROBERT B. DOWST
School Board

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TENTATIVE STRAFFORD SCHOOL WARRANT**

To the inhabitants of the School District in the town of Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford School in said district on the 14th day of March 1972, at 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To determine and appoint the salaries of the school board and truant officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.

2. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

3. To choose agents and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

4. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district.

5. To see if the Strafford School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 dollars for the support of the Strafford Guidance Clinic for the ensuing year.

6. To see if the District will appropriate the sum of \$102.50 for payment of Child Benefit Services provided by the School District of Dover to students who are residents of this School District and who attend Saint Thomas Aquinas High School, and further authorize the School Board to apply for any grant from the State as provided under RSA 198:22.

7. To see if the District will:

a. Approve the dual enrollment plan between the District and the Saint Thomas Aquinas High School, said plan to be

educational offerings as subsequently listed for approximately five students at Saint Thomas Aquinas High School for the school year 1972-73: Algebra, Math 9, Geometry, Biology, Advanced Biology, Physics, Electronics, Art, and Physical Education. The faculty will consist of an administrative staff and 3 1/5th teachers; and which plan shall be administered by the School District of Dover; and further authorize the school board to sign any necessary agreement to implement the program.

b. Authorize the School Board to assign certain students, who are residents of the District, to the dual enrollment classes administered by the School District of Dover and further authorize the School Board to make such contractual arrangements that may be necessary to implement the said assignment of students.

c. Appropriate the sum of \$1,345.00 for the payment of the cost of tuition incurred by the assignment of said students to the dual enrollment program administered by the School District of Dover at Saint Thomas Aquinas High School and to authorize the School Board to apply for any grants under RSA 198:21, which funds will be credited to the District.

8. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Strafford this 13th day of February 1972.

EDGAR W. HUCKINS, JR.
CAROLYN CLARKE
ROBERT B. DOWST
School Board

A true copy of Warrant— Attest:

EDGAR W. HUCKINS, JR.
CAROLYN CLARKE
ROBERT B. DOWST
School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER
for the
Fiscal Year July 1, 1970 to June 30, 1971

SUMMARY

Cash on Hand July 1, 1970	\$ 741.43
Received from Selectmen	\$133,539.32
Revenue from State Sources	3,934.24
Revenue from Federal Sources	1,721.86
Received from Tuitions	394.00
Received as income from Trust Funds	51.77
Received from all Other Sources	<u>2,887.50</u>
Total Receipts	142,528.69
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	143,270.12
Less School Board Orders Paid	<u>141,616.19</u>
Balance on Hand June 30, 1971	1,653.93

July 21, 1971

CHRISTINE BOZAK
District Treasurer

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Strafford of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971, and find them correct in all respects.

August 30, 1971

DONALD POPPEMA
ROGER LEIGHTON
Auditors

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE
STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT**
For the Fiscal Year Beginning
July 1, 1970 and Ending June 30, 1971

Balance on Hand, July 1, 1970		\$	741.43
Received from Local Sources			
Current Appropriation			133,539.32
Other Revenue from Local Sources			
Earnings from Permanent Funds & Endowments	\$51.77		
Rent	15.00		
			<u>66.77</u>
Revenue from State Sources			
School Building Aid	\$2,614.99		
Sweepstakes	1,155.11		
Other Revenue	164.14		
			<u>3,934.24</u>
Revenue from Federal Sources			
School Lunch & Special Milk Program			1,721.86
Item 60 Receipts (Reimbursable Expenditures)			<u>3,266.50</u>
Grand Total Net Receipts		\$	143,270.12
Total Expenditures (see following pages)			<u>-141,616.19</u>
Balance			1,653.93
Encumbered Funds			
Grading & Paving	\$1,000.00		
Repairs — Blinds	300.00		
Athletic Equipment	200.00		
			<u>- 1,500.00</u>
Unencumbered Balance		\$	153.93

STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

Outstanding at Beginning of Year:			
Strafford School	\$50,000.00		
Strafford School Addition	49,933.64		
			<u>\$ 99,933.64</u>
Payments of Principal of Debt:			
Strafford School	\$ 5,000.00		
Strafford School Addition	3,566.76		
			<u>- 8,566.76</u>
Notes and Bonds Outstanding at end of year		\$	91,366.88

DETAILED EXPENDITURES (1970-1971)

Administration		Totals
Salaries		
Edgar Huckins, Chairman School Board	\$ 200.00	
Carolyn Clarke, School Board	200.00	
Robert Dowst, School Board	200.00	
Christine Bozak, Treasurer	200.00	
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		\$ 800.00
Contracted Services		
Bookkeeper, Dorothy Colwell	350.00	
Census, Leonard Davis	30.00	
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		380.00
Other Expenses		
Jason E. Boynton, School Board Association	75.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	101.10	
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		176.10
Instruction		
Salaries		
Principal & 4th Grade Teacher, Irene Scribner	7,000.00	
Teachers		
Grade 1 — Ada Hayes	6,300.00	
Grade 2 — Solveig Perreton	6,300.00	
Grade 3 — Nancy Higgins	6,000.00	
Grade 5 — 6 Library — Louise Williams	6,450.00	
Grade 7 — Sally Riley, Salary & Course	6,050.00	
Grade 7 — 8 — Mary Higgins	6,300.00	
Music — Patricia Minot	999.90	
Tutoring — Bernice Omand	648.00	
Substitutes		
Dorothy Berry	15.00	
Barbara Newsky	60.00	
Lillian Critchett	30.00	
Marion Conroy	487.50	
Credit — Lebanon School District	— 36.00	
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		46,604.40
Textbooks		760.55
Library & Audio Visual		299.07
Teaching Supplies		1,405.09
Attendance Services		
Truant Officer, Leonard Davis		25.00
Health Services		
School Nurse, Lois Fistere		1,100.00
Supplies & Travel		67.53

Pupil Transportation		
Contracted Services		
Virgil Scribner	\$ 9,746.88	
Douglas Hatch	4,006.02	
	<hr/>	\$ 13,752.90
Operation of Plant		
Custodial Salaries		
William Lynbourg		3,800.00
Supplies		664.58
Heat — James K. Horne		1,430.91
Utilities		
Public Service & New England Telephone		1,791.57
Maintenance of Plant		
Repairs to Equipment		89.47
Contracted Services		
Perfection Engineering	486.45	
Miscellaneous Services	51.50	
	<hr/>	537.95
Repairs to Building		
Texas Refining Co.	1,143.64	
Craftsman, Inc.	180.35	
Miscellaneous	22.65	
	<hr/>	1,346.64
Fixed Charges		
Employees Retirement	1,062.10	
F.I.C.A. (Social Security)	1,843.96	
	<hr/>	2,906.06
Insurance		
Treasurer's Bond	25.00	
Building	1,222.95	
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School Lunch & Special Milk		
District Contribution	500.00	
Federal Contribution	1,721.86	
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Student Body Activities		78.50
Capital Outlay		
Equipment		
Listening Post, Inc.	89.00	
J. L. Hammett Co.	607.95	
	<hr/>	696.95
Debt Service		
Principal of Debt		8,566.95
Interest on Debt		4,033.35

Outgoing Transfer Accounts		
Tuition to Other Districts	\$ 32,385.93	
Tuition to Public Academies	7,735.19	
District Share of Union Expenses	3,245.38	
Other	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 43,566.50
Total		138,349.69
Item 60 Expenditures (Reimbursed)		3,266.50
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Grand Total Detailed Expenditures		\$141,616.19

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET WORKSHEET

1972 - 1973

Purpose of Appropriation	Adopted 1970-71	Expended 1970-71	Adopted 1971-72	Proposed 1972-73
Administration				
Salaries	\$ 845.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 845.00	\$ 845.00
Contracted Services	380.00	380.00	380.00	380.00
Other Expenses	150.00	176.10	150.00	150.00
Instruction				
Salaries	47,350.00	46,604.40	50,350.00	52,150.00
Textbooks	600.00	760.55	600.00	800.00
Library & Audiovisual	390.00	299.07	410.00	510.00
Teaching Supplies	2,160.00	1,405.09	2,160.00	2,160.00
Contracted Services				200.00
Other Expenses	100.00		100.00	100.00
Attendance Services	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Health Services	1,350.00	1,167.53	2,250.00	2,550.00
Pupil Transportation	13,497.00	13,752.90	14,997.00	14,497.00
Operation of Plant				
Salaries	3,800.00	3,800.00	4,000.00	4,150.00
Supplies	700.00	664.58	700.00	700.00
Heat	1,700.00	1,420.91	1,700.00	1,700.00
Utilities	1,650.00	1,791.57	1,650.00	1,850.00
Maintenance of Plant	1,910.00	1,974.06	860.00	1,150.00
Fixed Charges				
Employee Retirement and F.I.C.A.	3,960.60	2,906.06	4,270.50	4,633.69
Insurance	1,044.00	1,247.95	1,010.00	1,295.00
School Lunch and Special Milk Program	1,400.00	2,221.86	1,700.00	2,100.00

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET WORKSHEET
1972 — 1973

Purpose of Appropriation	Adopted 1970-71	Expended 1970-71	Adopted 1971-72	Proposed 1972-73
Student Body Activities	\$ 100.00	\$ 78.50	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00
Capital Outlay				
Sites	300.00		500.00	
Equipment	825.00	696.95	1,035.00	100.00
Debt Service				
Principal of Debt	8,566.76	8,566.76	8,566.76	8,566.76
Interest of Debt	4,301.97	4,033.35	3,902.77	3,523.35
Outgoing Transfer Accounts in State				
Tuition	36,883.00	40,121.12	53,054.00	62,665.00
Transportation				800.00
Supervisory Union Expenses	3,793.98	3,245.38	3,612.89	3,797.05
Other Expenses	200.00	200.00	200.00	
Expenditures to other than Public Schools	753.00			1,800.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$138,735.31	\$138,349.69	\$159,128.92	\$173,397.85

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
REVENUES AND CREDITS**

	Approved Revenues (Tax Commission) 1971-72	Estimated Revenues 1972-73
Unencumbered Balance	\$ 153.93	
Revenue from State Sources		
Sweepstakes	1,522.05	\$ 2,000.00
School Building Aid	1,439.89	1,322.52
Revenue from Federal Sources		
School Lunch & Special Milk	1,200.00	1,500.00
Public Law No. 874		500.00
Local Revenue except Taxes		
Trust Fund Income	35.00	35.00
Total Revenues and Credits	\$ 4,380.87	\$ 5,357.52
District Assessment to be Raised by Property Taxes	\$154,748.05	\$168,040.33
Total Appropriation	\$159,128.92	\$173,397.85

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
July 1, 1970 to June 30, 1971**

Beginning Balance, July 1, 1971		\$ 238.40
Receipts		
Lunch Sales — Children	\$ 6,209.88	
Lunch Sales — Adults	50.92	
Reimbursement	1,721.86	
District Appropriation	500.00	
Misc. Cash	183.97	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$ 8,666.63
TOTAL AVAILABLE		8,905.03
Expenditures		
Food	\$ 5,406.25	
Labor	2,836.50	
Equipment	11.18	
All Other Expenditures	153.18	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$ 8,407.11
Balance, June 30, 1971		<u>\$ 497.92</u>

OTHER PROGRAM RESOURCES:

 USDA COMMODITIES RECEIVED (Wholesale Value) \$ 1,000.00

BALANCE SHEET
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1971

Assets

Cash in Bank	\$ 497.92
Accounts Receivable:	
Reimbursement due Program	731.73
Food Inventory — June 30	50.00

TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 1,279.65</u>
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Liabilities

None

Working Capital

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**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND WORKING
CAPITAL**

\$ 1,279.65

DOROTHY L. SMITH
Person Preparing Report

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Board and the citizens of Strafford:

In September, the Strafford Elementary School was organized as follows:

Grade	Teacher	Pupils
1	Mrs. Ada Hayes	23
2	Miss Nancy Higgins	23
3	Miss Maryellen Childs	23
4	Mrs. Irene Scribner, Principal	24
5	Mrs. Louise Williams	22
6	Mrs. Louise Williams	12
6	Mr. Richard Boyle	12
7	Mr. Richard Boyle	24
8	Mrs. Mary Higgins	19

Other Staff Members

School Nurse	Mrs. Lois Fistere
Music Teacher	Mrs. Mary Jacques
Readiness Aide	Mrs. Barbara Newsky
Custodian	Mr. William Lynbourg
Lunch Supervisor	Mrs. Dorothy Smith
Lunch Worker	Mrs. Dorothy Colwell

Strafford tuition students attending high schools and approved public academies are as follows:

School	Grade	9	10	11	12	Total	Tuition
Austin Cate Academy		0	0	0	2	2	\$803.
Coe-Brown Northwood Academy		6	3	0	4	13	803.
Pittsfield High School		0	0	1	1	2	735.
Spaulding High School		16	14	19	10	59	596.
Dover High School		2	1	0	0	3	965
Total		24	18	20	17	79	

As of September, 1971 three changes had been made in the makeup of the faculty at the Strafford Elementary School. Miss Maryellen Childs, a graduate of Plymouth State College, was elected to teach grade 3; Mr. Richard Boyle, who received his college education at the University of Maryland and at Mitchell College in Long Island, was hired to teach grades 6-7 and to also conduct a physical education program; and Mrs. Mary Jacques, a music major at Lowell State College was hired to provide instruction in music on a part time basis.

The teacher shortage, so prevalent five years ago, now appears to have abated. However, the surplus is concentrated mainly in the areas of English and Social Studies, while the Mathematics, Science, and Early Childhood Education fields are still difficult to fill with qualified personnel.

As depicted by the above enrollment figure crowded conditions exist where Grade 6 is divided between two classrooms. It looks as if this problem will continue until such time that the AREA school contract is in operation.

The problems facing Strafford as far as high school education is concerned became more complex with the advent of double sessions and once again, the lack of a firm building commitment on the part of Rochester. The School Board, therefore, has requested the State Board of Education for another one-year extension on implementing the AREA contract.

The Title I funds available to Strafford have been utilized for a Readiness aide during the 1971-72 school year. New federal guidelines make it mandatory for a district maintaining these programs to make a contribution equivalent to the amount expended by the federal government.

The Title I office is also recommending projects on a Supervisory Union basis. Such positions as speech therapist, psychologist and remedial consultants will be given high priorities.

As a result of recent legislation, the education of the intellectually, emotionally, and physically handicapped student becomes a direct responsibility of the School District in the State of New Hampshire. If appropriate programs are not available within the school system, then tuition costs and transportation costs up to the state average must be paid to an approved school for the handicapped.

Another statute concerning health policy will have a direct impact on local schools in the near future. The School Board is presently studying a new health policy for the Strafford School District and will release it as soon as it gains final Board approval.

Even though the School Board is making every possible effort to restrain the increased costs of education, certain forces are at work over which it has no control. Included in these forces are tuition to other school districts; inflation, (still rising, but not as rapidly); reduction in state aid to education due to the recent 12½% decrease in the state education budget; and new legislation where the burden of financing falls on the local school district.

Under attack in many areas is the financing of education through the local property tax, which in New Hampshire is the chief source of revenue. However, the alternatives are not encouraging. Other states are considering a state wide property tax to supplant the local levy, while still others are proposing increases in the broad base taxes already enacted. One might be prudent to keep abreast of this issue as there are many facets of this problem still to be solved.

In closing, we would like to thank the citizens of Strafford, the School Board, the teaching staff and the students for their fine cooperation during the 1970-71 school year.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES H. MORGAN
Superintendent
KENNETH J. BEAUPRE
Assistant Superintendent

**SALARY OF SUPERINTENDENT AND
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT
1970-71
(R.S.A. Chapter 189:48 — New Hampshire Laws)**

School District	% Local Share	Superintendent	Asst. Superintendent
Barrington	14.635	\$ 1,756.20	\$ 1,115.01
Farmington	22.720	2,726.40	1,730.99
Middleton	3.675	441.00	279.99
Milton	14.230	1,707.60	1,084.15
Northwood	12.585	1,510.20	958.83
Nottingham	7.325	879.00	558.08
Strafford	8.820	1,058.40	671.98
Wakefield	<u>16.010</u>	<u>1,921.20</u>	<u>1,219.77</u>
	100.000	\$12,000.00	\$ 7,618.80
State's Share		<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>2,211.99</u>
		\$14,500.00	\$ 9,830.79

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

The school health program for 70-71 began with the routine inspection of each child by the nurse. Parents were informed when defects were observed and the children seen or treated by the family physician. The appropriate follow up and referrals were made when necessary.

The increase in school population over the years has also raised the case load and responsibilities of the school health program. During this past year we have tried to meet some of our needs by enlarging our service. Here are some of our accomplishments:

September— Routine inspection, hearing and vision testing started. S.A.Y. donated to the cost of the Titmus vision tester, to be used with Barrington. Classroom discussion in primary grades, on dental care and good health habits.

October— Dental prophylaxis clinic started, with Mrs. Anne Huckins as hygienist. Sponsored by the S.A.Y. and the New Hampshire Bureau of Dental Public Health, 128 participated in this program. This is a most worthwhile program; when teeth are cleaned and fluoride solution applied, to help reduce dental decay.

November— The New Hampshire Tuberculosis Association helped administer the Heaf Test for tuberculosis to all school personnel.

December— Mr. Donald Campbell of the New Hampshire Department of Education spoke to the seventh and eighth grades on a timely subject, "Drugs and Drug Abuse".

January— Several films on "Smoking", were shown to 107 children in grades four through eight. These were borrowed from the Tuberculosis and Health Association. We also used a demonstration machine to show the effect of smoke on the lungs.

February— Film strips shown to the primary grades on care of the teeth. One of several meetings held with a member of the

Strafford Guidance Clinic and the teaching staff.

March— Dr. Richard Roy of Rochester helped direct our Rubella clinic. The vaccine for these clinics is obtained, free of charge, from the New Hampshire Bureau of Public Health. Vaccine was given to 51 preschool children and 32 school children.

April— Film, "It's Wonderful Being a Girl", shown to girls in 5th through 8th grades. Discussion groups followed on personal health and hygiene, when the schedule would permit.

May and June— Mr. Owen Merritt, from the Public Service, presented a talk and demonstration with "Anne", on mouth to mouth resuscitation, to grades six through eight.

Dr. Richard Roy again directed our Booster Clinic, when we immunized 103 children for diptheria-tetanus and 91 for polio. The Bow Lake Community Club assisted in sponsoring this clinic.

The State Dental Hygienist spoke to grades 1—4 and was present on our preschool day, when 18 children were checked.

The Strafford Women's Club voted funds to the Matching Dental Fund Program. This is in cooperation with the State Dental Health Department and will be for the school year 1971-1972. Dr. Peter Low will be the dentist.

The health and welfare of our children and young people should be the concern of everyone in our town. I, therefore, appreciate your continued interest and cooperation. My sincere thanks to all who helped make this a successful year.

Respectfully submitted,
LOIS FISTERE, R.N.
(Mrs. C. G. Fistere)

SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 44
TENTATIVE SCHOOL CALENDAR
1972-73

SCHOOL SESSIONS		No. of Days
1.	FALL TERM	
	Starts September 6, 1972, closes December 22, 1972	74
2.	WINTER TERM	
	Starts January 2, 1973, closes February 16, 1973	34
3.	SPRING TERM	
	Starts February 26, 1973, closes April 20, 1973	40
4.	LAST TERM	
	Starts April 30, 1973, closes June 15, 1973	<u>34</u>
	Total Days	182

DAYS OUT

Teacher's Convention	October 13, 1972
Veteran's Day	October 23, 1972
Thanksgiving Recess	November 23-24, 1972
Memorial Day	May 28, 1973

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1971

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Sex	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1970					
Dec. 24	Concord	F	Tracey A. Chandler	Vinal D. Chandler	Dorothy J. Reinhardt
1971					
Jan. 6	Rochester	M	Daniel L. Noel	John E. Noel	Lynda K. Hanson
Jan. 18	Rochester	F	Melissa Kelly	Edward Kelley	Lorraine R. Thorne
Apr. 3	Rochester	F	Laura J. Hastings	John W. Hastings	Beverly J. McPherson
June 4	Rochester	M	Dana C. Holland	Carl E. Holland	Penny A. Nutter
June 11	Concord	F	Sheila J. Tuttle	Gary W. Tuttle	Sheila M. Taylor
July 18	Dover	F	Maureen J. Pierce	Loren W. Pierce	Kathleen J. Leduc
July 25	Dover	M	Douglas R. LaPanne	Roger R. LaPanne	Eileen J. Linderman
Aug. 24	Rochester	M	James H. MacLean	Clare A. MacLean	Evelyn Noke
Sept. 11	Rochester	F	Krista M. Hastings	Neal H. Hastings	Sandra J. Waterhouse
Sept. 24	Methuen, Mass.	F	Kristen M. Bennett	Robert T. Bennett	Carolyn M. Coghlin
Oct. 7	Concord	M	Raymond E. Colpritt, Jr.	Raymond E. Colpritt	Gloria R. Twombly
Oct. 28	Rochester	F	Karen L. Burrows	Edgar E. Burrows	Miriam A. Huse
Dec. 25	Dover	F	Kirsten A. Fletcher	William C. Fletcher	Nancyanne T. DeFelice

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 Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1971

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 28	Rochester	Ardena M. Brown	84	N.H.	Housewife	Herbert Scruton	Laura Yeaton
May 13	Rochester	Alice B. Smith	76	N.H.	School Teacher	Wilbur Lovell	Grace G. Roberts
June 12	Strafford	Mary M. Nutter	50	N.H.	Assembler	Sidney Hanson	Lura Nuttier
June 16	Rochester	Charles M. Horne	73	N.H.	Woolen Worker	Charles Horne	Mary Daugherty
June 29	Rochester	Dean I. Berry	61	N.H.	Mill Wright	Albert C. Berry	Nellie A. Weeden
July 29	Strafford	Louise E. Huse	69	Mass.	Housewife	William Tuttle	Cora E. Bridges
Aug. 22	Rochester	Lona S. Huckins	80	N.H.	Housewife	David Libby	Cora Caswell
Sept. 9	Dover	Clark E. Thorne	26	N.H.	Construction	Gerald E. Thorne	Laura MacPeterson
Sept. 26	Strafford	Sadie L. Marsh	98	N.H.	Housewife	Daniel H. Scruton	Vienna E. Brock
Oct. 21	Strafford	Fredrick H. Crawford	93	Canada	Machinist	Samuel Crawford	Hattie Bull
Oct. 23	Dover	Jean C. Perry	25	N. Y.	Salesgirl	Frank J. Kolinek	Pauline J.
Nov. 16	Strafford	Randall K. Whiting	14	MD.	Student	Clinton T. Whiting	Eleanor Culliford
Nov. 22	Rochester	Clara B. Horne	69	Mass.	Housewife	Dana Berry	Lillian
Dec. 15	Rochester	Twombly	.....	N.H.	.....	Wm. I. Twombly	Shirley J. Brown
Dec. 20	Rochester	Ralph W. Arnold	65	Mass.	Shoecutter	Samuel V. Arnold	Sarah Godfrey
Dec. 27	Rochester	Ida S. Hall	78	Mass.	Shoe Worker	Smith	Emma Price

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MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1971

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Res. of Each at Time of Marriage	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Parents	By Whom Married
1970							
Dec. 31	Nashua	Philip A. Chagnon Louise E. King	Nashua Strafford	May 25, 1945 Feb. 18, 1946	N.H. N.H.	Maurice E. Chagnon Yvette Labombarde Edwin W. King Lauretta Caldwell	Jerome Silverstein Justice of Peace Nashua, N.H.
1971							
Mar. 27	Northwood	Mark W. Whitcher Judith L. McCartin	Strafford Northwood	Mar. 22, 1951 Jan. 29, 1952	N.H. Del.	Robert H. Whitcher Inez P. Waldron John J. McCartin Theresa M. Sheehan	Charles E. Authier Pastor Pittsfield, N.H.
May 8	Rochester	Martin E. Fay Christine E. Veator	Groveland, Mass. Strafford	Apr. 28, 1946 Dec. 8, 1945	Mass. Mass.	Lawrence E. Martin Helen J. Murphy George T. Veator Marion C. Burton	Joseph Klatka Rom. Cath. Priest Rochester, N.H.
May 28	E. Rochester	Russell D. Lamper Rita M. Santolucito	Strafford Rochester	Jan. 7, 1901 Dec. 6, 1925	N.H. Me.	Orin A. Lamper Grace A. Hayes Arthur Willard Alice Hamanne	Victor Cardosi, Jr. Justice of Peace Rochester, N.H.
June 12	E. Rochester	Clayton H. Quimby Cheryl J. McBride	Strafford Rochester	July 18, 1948 July 20, 1951	N.H. Me.	Clayton F. Quimby Barbara J. Wells James E. McBride Joanne E. Heaney	J. William Powell Pastor Rochester, N.H.
Aug. 28	Northwood	Donald A. Barneetz Rosemarie F. McLean	Strafford Portsmouth	Dec. 19, 1944 June 14, 1950	N.H. Penn.	Paul A. Barneetz Edith Svenson Earle W. McLean Marie Cirigliano	Charles E. Authier Pastor Pittsfield, N.H.
Sept. 18	Strafford	Douglas W. Henderson Joanne B. Snow	Strafford Brockton, Mass.	Sept. 19, 1946 May 9, 1947	Mass. Mass.	William Henderson Dorothy M. Frye Alvah D. Snow Cora Peterson	Howard B. Higgins Pastor Ctr. Strafford, N.H.
Oct. 9	Belmont	Joseph C. Nutter Ruth A. Scott	Strafford Belmont	July 21, 1918 Sept. 27, 1924	N.H. N.H.	Frank C. Nutter Iva Berry Ernest C. Emmons Jennie Chase	Rayworth Gillies Minister Concord, N.H.

Oct. 9	Hancock	Charles S. Evans Carol M. Audette	Strafford	Oct. 17, 1944 Nov. 24, 1948	Wash. D.C. Vt.	Robert L. Evans Anita Ellis Creighton Audette Margaret Hill	Robert T. Dick Clergyman Springfield, Vt.
Nov. 26	Rochester	Richard J. Boutsianis Carleen L. Snell	Strafford Dover	June 17, 1946 June 12, 1945	Greece Me.	Arthur Boutsianis Panagiota Tsabasky Russell Lyndes Pauline Carrell	David W. Bell Clergyman Rochester, N.H.
Dec. 18	Strafford	Richard C. Smith Christine A. Laderush	Strafford Northwood	Nov. 7, 1951 Apr. 14, 1953	N.Y. N.M.	Spencer C. Smith Dorothy L. Duffield Kenneth C. Laderbush Gloria E. Brooks	Spencer Richdale Justice of Peace Northwood, N.H.
Dec. 25	Manchester	Robert O. Rioux Dianne L. Martin	Strafford Derry	Feb. 1, 1934 May 14, 1950	N.H. N.H.	Ovila Rioux Rachel Ackerman Robert Tetreault Dorothy Raineir	Donald L. Fowler Justice of Peace Manchester, N.H.

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